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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 through 14 without prejudice.

Please add the following new Claims.

15. (New) An actuation device for a rapid-action reception coupling for transferring

fluids, the device comprising:

a tubular housing;

a slide mounted so as to be displaceable relative the housing;

a sliding ring mounted so as to be displaceable relative the housing;

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